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# HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY GERALDINE LUCAS HOMESTEAD, GERALDINE LUCAS CABIN

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# Geraldine Lucas Cabin (WY-113-A):

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A. General statement: Geraldine Lucas Cabin

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- 1. Architectural character: This structure is a single story, three room, log vernacular cabin with a shed addition at the northeast corner. This cabin was built by Geraldine Lucas as her retirement residence. The cabin has a T-shaped plan with a porch surrounding the southern, western and northern walls of the living/dining room.
- Condition of fabric: The overall condition of this cabin is poor. All of the building materials are rapidly deteriorating, especially those of the roof and porch.

# B. Description of exterior:

- 1. Overall dimensions: 60'-9" by 32'-5"
- 2. Foundation: The main cabin does not have a foundation. However, the shed addition to the northeast, which is the bathroom, has an uncoarsed rubble foundation.
- 3. Walls: The main cabin has log walls with square lap rebated cornering. The bathroom addition to the east has plain shingle siding. Traces of brown stain are still seen on some of the logs.
- 4. Structural system: The structure of the main cabin is log, while the bathroom addition has a wood frame structural system.
- 5. Porches and bulkheads: The U-shaped porch, which surrounds the living/dining room, is covered but does not have a foundation. This porch is constructed of log floor beams, which rest on large rocks to elevate them off of the earth. Unfinished wood planks comprise the porch's floor. There is also a small covered porch on the cabin's eastern wall, by the bathroom addition. This small porch has a dry laid rubble foundation, log floor beams and unfinished wood plank flooring. There is a wooden bulkhead on the northern and southern walls of the cabin leading to a crawl space.

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6. Chimneys: This cabin has two chimneys. The largest chimney is a concrete interior chimney, centrally located on the eastern slope of the roof. The smaller chimney is of random rubble construction and located on the exterior of the bathroom's eastern wall.

### 7. Openings:

- a. Doorways and doors: The exterior door to the bathroom addition is a brown stained five panel door with plain trim and a screen door. The door from the kitchen to the porch is also a brown stained five panel door with plain trim and a screen door. The door from the living/dining room to the porch is a brown stained two panel door with four pane glazing. This door has plain trim, park service hardware and a screen door.
- Windows: All of the windows to this cabin are b. sash and have plain trim. The bathroom has windows on its eastern and southern walls, both of which are fixed double pane windows. eastern wall of the cabin has a single six pane sliding ribbon window and a single 6/6 doublehung window. The southern wall of the bedroom has a single 2/2 sliding window. The southern wall of the living/dining room has two 6/6 double-hung windows, which are separated by a The western wall of this room also mullion. has two 6/6 double hung windows separated by a The northern wall of the mullion. living/dining room has a single 6/6 pane sliding window. The northern wall of the kitchen has a single six pane sliding ribbon window.

#### 8. Roof:

a. Shape and covering: This cabin has an open rafter cross gabled roof. The roof has a low pitch and is covered with asphalt roll roofing. The bathroom addition and the porches have a shed roofs with asphalt roll roofing. On the gable end of the large U-shaped porch there are exposed vertical log trusses extending to each rafter.

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b. Eaves: The entire cabin has exposed log rafter eave ends.

# C. Description of interior:

- 1. Floor plan: This cabin consists of three main rooms and a bathroom addition. The three rooms are in a T-configuration. The northeastern room is the kitchen, with the bathroom addition to the east of the kitchen. The southeastern room is the bedroom. A small pantry lies between the kitchen and bedroom. The western room served as a living and dining room.
- 2. Flooring: The kitchen and bathroom have linoleum floors, while the bedroom and living/dining room have pine wood floors.
- Wall and ceiling finishes: The bathroom walls and ceiling are covered with 1 1/2 inch unstained 3. vertical wood planks. The kitchen's exterior walls are unfinished log, with all of the chinking intact. The southern wall of the kitchen is rather unique. This wall is comprised of brown stained three inch hardwood vertical paneling extending only to a height of eight feet. the wall is then open to the ceiling. Filling the gap between the wall and the ceiling are vertical logs supporting rafter. The cement chimney is also seen extending above this panel wall. However, this chimney does not extend to the floor. The northern pantry wall is board and batten and painted white. The southern pantry wall and the ceiling are white painted dry wall. The exterior bedroom walls are unstained log, with the chinking intact. The northern bedroom wall is dry wall covered with burlap and painted white. The living room walls are all unstained log, with some of the chinking intact.

#### 4. Openings:

a. Doorways and doors: All of the interior doors, except for the bedroom door, are brown stained five panel doors with plain trim. The bedroom has a brown stained three panel door with plain trim.

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- b. Windows: All of the windows have plain sills and trim, which are stained brown. The kitchen has a single 6/6 pane double-hung sash window on the north wall, and a six pane, three unit sliding sash ribbon window on both the north and east walls. The bedroom has as single 6/6 pane double-hung sash window on the southern wall, and a single 2/2 pane sliding sash window on the eastern wall. The living/dining room has a single 6/6 pane sliding sash window on the north wall. The south and west walls have two 6/6 pane double-hung sash windows, which are separated by a mullion.
- 5. Hardware: The kitchen door has a brass oval door knob, brass butt hinges and a box lock. The bedroom door has a brass round door knob on a rectangular base. The living room doors have brass oval door knobs and hinges identical to the bedroom door.
- space heating was 6. Mechanical equipment: All supplied by wood stove and a hot water heater is located in the kitchen. All electrical wiring is exposed rubber insulated wire. The overhead light in the kitchen is a double socket, without a fixture. A conical, metallic grey task light is mounted on the north wall of the kitchen. a naked dropped bulb the in bedroom has The living room has two center of the room. identical light fixtures. These fixtures are conical, beige painted metal and suspended from the ceiling by a chain.

